

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
JUNE 6, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.  
BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**Minutes**

**1. First Selectman Steve Dunn called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.**

**2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**3. ELECTION OF MODERATOR**

\*First Selectman Steve Dunn asked for nominations from the floor for Moderator. Les Slater nominated Dan Devorsetz and Glenn Rooney seconded.

\*A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously.

**4. READING OF CALL OF THE MEETING**

\*Moderator Devorsetz asked if there was a motion to waive the reading of the Call of the Meeting. Ron Jaffe made the Motion and it was seconded by Steve Harding.

\*A voice vote was taken and passed by a majority.

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**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD**

**WARNING: NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

*The legal voters of the Town of Brookfield, and those entitled to vote therein, are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Brookfield High School Auditorium at 45 Long Meadow Hill Road, on **June 6, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.**, for the following purposes, to wit:*

- 1. To consider and vote upon an appropriation of up to \$1,177,000 from the General Fund to pay for expenses necessitated by the damage and impacts from the severe storm that occurred in the Town of Brookfield on May 15, 2018.*
- 2. To discuss and consider a resolution (a) authorizing an appropriation of \$2,578,050 to fund the costs of the Town's capital expenses at Town facilities for the fiscal year 2018-19, including costs of the replacement of certain trucks, a street sweeper, a mower, an aerator, patrol cars and other vehicles for the Departments of Public Works, Police, Land Use, Health and Parks and Recreation; improvements to the Department of Parks and Recreation maintenance building (including a sewer system connection and roof, doors and window replacements); road paving program; acquisition and installation of a canopy at the Department of Public Works fueling station and a generator for the Center Fire Company; acquisition of command vehicles for the Center and Candlewood Fire Companies; window design and engineering costs and ADA improvements at Town library; renovation of a locker room and acquisition and installation of a generator and transfer switch at Brookfield High School; acquisition of a new time and attendance system for Brookfield Town Schools and architectural designs of Town Schools*

*(collectively referred to herein as the “2018-19 Capital Improvements Project”), and authorizing the Town to issue general obligation bonds or notes and temporary notes in the aggregate maximum amount of \$2,578,050 to finance said appropriation, (b) authorizing the First Selectman and the Treasurer to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes and to reduce the scope of the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project and spend the entire amount of the appropriation on such Project as so reduced in scope if such Project cannot be completed for the amount appropriated; and (c) authorizing the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project and to issue bonds or notes to defray the aforesaid appropriation.*

3. *To discuss and vote upon a resolution setting Tuesday, July 24, 2018 from the hours of 6:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m., as the date and polling hours for the referendum vote on the resolution contained in Item 2 of the call of the meeting.*
4. *To do any and all things which may be legally necessary or appropriate to accomplish the above purpose.*

*Copies of said resolutions are on file and available for public inspection at the Office of the Brookfield Town Clerk.*

*Dated at Brookfield, Connecticut, this 30th day of May, 2018.*

*Stephen C. Dunn, First Selectman*

*Susan D. Slater, Selectman*

*Harry Shaker, Selectman*

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**5. RESOLUTION #1 – SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF \$1,177,000 FOR STORM DAMAGE**

A. Moderator Devorsetz asked if there was a Motion to waive the reading of the Resolution by the Town Attorney. Steve Harding made the Motion and Les Slater seconded.

\*A voice vote was taken and it passed by a majority.

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***RESOLUTION # 1- STORM IMPACT AND RECOVERY EXPENSES***

*Upon favorable recommendation of the Board of Selectmen on May 23, 2018 and approval of the Board of Finance on May 23, 2018, BE IT RESOLVED:*

*That the Town of Brookfield authorizes a special appropriation of up to \$1,177,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Works for expenses related to storm damage and cleanup and related purposes.*

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**B. PRESENTATION - Town Officials**

First Selectman Steve Dunn and Greg Dembowski presented to the audience.

**C. DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

<b>Resident</b>	<b>Address</b>
Deirdre Coury	57 Skyline Drive
Clive Milton	21 North Beachtree Road
Rebecca Schempp	37 North Lakeshore Drive
Carmine Rositano	6 Big Buck Lane
Gerry Friedrich	10 Cherokee Drive
Ana Domingos	11 Mist Hill Drive
Clive Milton	21 North Beachtree Road
Deirdre Coury	57 Skyline Drive
Melissa Marici	67 Obtuse Road South
Clive Milton	21 North Beachtree Road

\*Judy Hise made a Motion to Move the Question and it was seconded by Laura Orban.

\*Moderator Devorsetz called for a vote to move the question and it passed by a majority.

**D.** Moderator Devorsetz closed discussion, questions and comments.

**E.** Moderator Devorsetz called for a vote on Resolution # 1 and it passed by a majority.

**6. RESOLUTION #2 – BOND RESOLUTION \$2,578,050 CAPITAL PROJECTS**

A. Moderator Devorsetz asked the audience if there was a motion to waive the reading of the Resolution. Ron Jaffe made the motion and Betsy McIlvaine seconded.

\*A voice vote was taken and it passed by a majority.

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**Item 2. Upon the favorable recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and approval of the Board of Finance, BE IT RESOLVED:**

(a) That the Town of Brookfield appropriate TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$2,578,050) to fund the costs of the Town's capital expenses at Town and School facilities for the fiscal year 2018-19, including the following acquisitions and replacements of and improvements to Town-owned facilities: replacement of certain trucks, a street sweeper, a mower, an aerator, patrol cars and other vehicles for the Departments of Public Works, Police, Land Use, Health and Parks and Recreation; improvements to the Department of Parks and Recreation maintenance building (including a sewer system connection and roof, doors and window replacements); road paving program; acquisition and installation of a canopy at the Department of Public Works fueling station and a generator for the Center Fire Company; acquisition of command vehicles for the Center and Candlewood Fire Companies; window design and engineering costs and ADA improvements at Town library; renovation of a locker room and acquisition and installation of a generator and transfer switch at Brookfield High School; acquisition of a new time and attendance system for Brookfield Town Schools and architectural designs of Town Schools (collectively referred to herein as the "2018-19 Capital Improvements Project" or the "Project"). The appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition and materials, installation, site improvements, engineering fees, contractor and subcontractor fees, and legal fees, net interest on borrowings, and other expenses and financing costs related to the Project.

(b) That the Town issue its serial bonds, notes or obligations in an amount not to exceed TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$2,578,050) to finance the appropriation for the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-369 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "General Statutes"), and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The bonds or notes may be issued in one or more series, and any series may be sold as a single issue or consolidated with any other bonds or notes of the Town. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the bonds or notes. The First Selectman and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign the bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The bonds or notes shall bear the seal of the Town or a facsimile of the seal. The First Selectmen and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other details of the bonds or notes; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.

(c) That the Town issue and renew its temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes for the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project, provided the amount of notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$2,578,050). The notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-378 of the General Statutes, and shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of 7-378a of the General Statutes if the notes do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7-378. The First Selectmen and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, form, and other details of the notes; to sell the notes at public or private sale; to deliver the notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the notes.

(d) While it is preferred that the bonds or notes and temporary notes authorized hereby will be issued as obligations on which the interest may be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, if necessary to comply with federal tax law restrictions, the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized, upon the advice of bond counsel, to issue all or any portion of the bonds or notes and temporary notes authorized hereby as obligations the interest on which is includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, and it is hereby found and determined that the issuance of any such taxable obligations is in the public interest.

(e) That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that Project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project. The First Selectman and Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.

(f) That the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized to reduce the scope of the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project and spend the entire amount of the appropriation on the Project as so reduced in scope if the Project cannot be completed for the amount appropriated.

(g) That the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes.

(h) That the First Selectman, Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town designated by the First Selectman and the Treasurer are authorized to apply for and accept Federal and State grants to defray said appropriation and enter into any grant agreements for the accomplishment of the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project. Any grant proceeds may be used to pay Project costs or principal and interest on bonds, notes or temporary notes. The authority to issue bonds or notes under this resolution for the Project will be reduced by the amount of grant funds, if any, received by the Town for such Project unless an additional appropriation for the expenditure of such grant proceeds on the Project is approved in accordance with the Town Charter.

(i) *That the First Selectman, the Treasurer and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the 2018-19 Capital Improvements Project and to issue bonds or notes to defray the aforesaid appropriation*

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**B. PRESENTATION – Town Officials:**

First Selectman Steve Dunn gave the presentation.

**C. DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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**D.** Moderator Devorsetz closed discussion, questions and comments.

**E.** Moderator Devorsetz called for a vote on Resolution # 2 as recommended by Town Attorney Bowser and it failed by a majority.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Moderator Devorsetz asked for a Motion to adjourn. A motion was duly made and seconded by Greg Dembowski.

\*A voice vote was taken and passed by a majority.

\*Meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Andrea DiStephan**  
**Town Clerk**